

To whom it may concern,

I am writing in regards to the aerobatic practice area waiver at the Sack-O-Grande airport. My understanding is that this practice area is in jeopardy due to airspace changes with regard to the Houston Class B. It is very important that the few aerobatic practice areas in the United States be coveted as the safe havens for aerobatics. There are many reasons why aerobatic practice areas must be on or near airports. I am sure you are aware of the added safety of flying beside an airport. It is important to have a runway within gliding distance in case the stresses take a toll on the aircraft or pilot, but it is also important that the activity be monitored from the ground for not only the safety of the pilot and others who may be flying in the area, but also for the improvement of the pilot's abilities by having qualified instructors monitor the flights from the surface. I urge you to make the required changes to the waiver to keep the area intact for Sack-O-Grande airport. The best way to do this would probably be to add "Aerobatics in Class B Airspace" to the list of waived regulations.

Thanks for your time,

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